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IDENTITY OF "TENOR" AND MENTION OF "BOB" AND "CARLOS" (1943)

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

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2 July <u>43</u>

To VIKTOR.[i]

Your No. 2842.[a] "TENOR" is Michael BURD[BERD], [ii] [0% a bachelor], from RUS: IA: Owner of the firm "MIDLAND EXPORT CORPORATION". Recruited

[12 groups unrecovered]
"BOB"[iii] [8 groups unrecovered] with "CARLOS".[iv] At the beginning [9 groups unrecovered] that the cover-name "BASS[BAS]"[v] [5 groups unrecovered] TENOR.

No. 581

LUKA[Vi]

Note: [a] Not available.

Comments: [i] VIKTOR : Lt. Gen. P. M. FITIN.

[ii] BURD : An official of the Midland Export Corporation, NEW YORK CITY.

[iii] BOB : Robert Owen MEN/KER, a representative in 1944-1945 of the

Midland Export Corporation in CHILI.

[iv] CARLOS: Probably Christian CASANOVA SUBERCASEAUX, a Chilean.

Sometime in 1943 was Chilean Commercial Attaché in MADRID.

[v] BASS : This cover-name was used instead of TENOR for Michael BURD

in 1944 but the earliest recorded occurrence is in NEW YORK's

No. 889 of 23rd June 1944 (not published). There is at

present no evidence of its use for anyone else.

[vi] LUKA: Pavel P. KLARIN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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